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SUBJ: VISIT OF NORTH KOREAN FOREIGN MINISTER TO UN

REF: A. USUN 2888, B. STATE 215865

1. FOREIGN MINISTER IN CONVERSATION SEPTEMBER 12
WITH AMBASSADOR EXPRESSED CONCERN REGARDING NORTH KOREAN
FONMIN HO TAM'S PROPOSAL TO VISIT UN LATER IN
SEPTEMBER. HE WONDERED WHETHER THERE WAS NOT SOME BASIS
FOR REJECTING VISA APPLICATION FOR HO TAM.

2. AMBASSADOR EXPLAINED THAT WE WERE PREPARED TO ISSUE
VISA AND THAT THERE WAS NO REASONABLE BASIS FOR REJECTING
REQUEST.

3. FONMIN SAID THAT HIS MAJOR CONCERN WAS EFFORT BY
HO TAM TO MAKE PRIVATE CONTACT WITH USG OFFICIALS, DESPITE
USG POSITION OF NOT UNDERTAKING SUCH BILATERAL CONTACTS.
AMBASSADOR ASSURED FONMIN THAT US POSITION REMAINED AS
AFFIRMED AT HIGHEST LEVELS, THAT WE WOULD NOT MAKE CONTACTS
WITH NORTH KOREA WITHOUT PRESENCE OF SOUTH KOREA.

4. FONMIN ALSO CONCERNED ABOUT PRESS CONTACTS ON PART OF
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HO TAM, ALTHOUGH HE ACKNOWLEDGED NO MEANS OF PREVENTING
HIM FROM HOLDING PRESS CONFERENCE AT UN. AMBASSADOR
POINTED OUT THAT NORTH KOREANS SEEMED TO HAVE AN UNBROKEN
RECORD OF HARMING THEIR OWN CAUSE EVERY TIME THEY ATTEMPT
TO PROPAGANDIZE IN THE WEST.
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